



## Cities in the US – so much to see

Would you like to learn more about Washington and New York?  
Here is some extra information for you.

### New York

New York never sleeps. That's what people say about the famous city on the East Coast because there is always something happening in New York. The city has a lot of famous buildings. One of them is the Empire State Building. It is in the middle of Manhattan. You can even see it in some films. Up to 3 million people visit the Empire State Building every year, that's why there is always a queue. It is 381 m high and you can go to the top of the building and look over the city. It is a good place to watch the fireworks on the Fourth of July. From there, you can see one of New York's famous bridges, the Brooklyn Bridge. This bridge is between Manhattan and Brooklyn. You can go across it by car or use the separate walkway if you want to walk or cycle over the East River. From there, you can see Manhattan and its many skyscrapers.



### Washington D. C.

Washington has no skyscrapers but there are also a lot of popular sights to see, for example the Washington Monument. People built it to honour the first president of the US, George Washington. It is about 169 m high. Inside of the monument, there is a lift. It takes people to the top of the building. There, people can look out of the windows and see all of the city. There is a big pool in front of the monument. When you look down, you can see the Washington Monument in the water too. If you're tired of the city, you can go to the zoo and watch animals from all around the world. 1,800 animals live there: pandas, tigers, alligators, elephants, giraffes, monkeys and many more. The zoo is in the north of Washington D.C. and it is for free. Isn't that great? There is so much to do and so much to see!



bridge [brɪdʒ] **Brücke** ○ walkway ['wɔ:kweɪ] **Fußweg** ○ \*to build [bɪld] **(er)bauen** ○  
to honour ['ɒnə(r)] **ehren** ○ lift [lɪft] **Aufzug** ○ pool [pu:l] **Wasserbecken**



## Other parts of the US

Would you like to learn more about the US?

Here is some extra information on other parts of the US for you.

### Hawaii

Hawaii is the 50th state of the US. It is in the middle of the Pacific Ocean. This state has eight big islands and lots of small islands. It is famous for its beaches. People from all around the world come here to go surfing. The weather is nice and hot all year. All of the islands are volcanoes!



### Alaska

Alaska is northwest of Canada. This state is not part of the Lower 48. The winters are long and very cold. Not many people live here. Alaska has a lot of national parks. Tourists come here in summer to go hiking in the mountains or to watch animals, for example bears or moose. But you can also do a lot of activities in winter, for example go dog sledding, skiing or snowboarding.



### The Great Lakes

The Great Lakes are in the north of the US between America and Canada. A lot of tourists come here in the summer to enjoy the water. You can go on boats, go swimming, go fishing or do many different water sports. The water is very important for millions of people because they use it as drinking water.



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